IELTS Vocabulary

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Words & Collocations

Study

School



- lab work = laboratory experiments
- dissection = cutting up animals for scientific research
- scheduled lessons = lessons which are planned and written into a school curriculum
- algebra = formulas and equations in mathematics
- to give out or assign homework / to do or complete homework
- to complete high school / to graduate high school
- to do, to participate or to take part in school activities or sport
- tracing = copying, outlining in pencil
- tone deaf = without an ear for music = unable to appreciate or hear different music and notes
 - *to attend classes*: to go to classes
 - bachelors degree: an undergraduate course which usually lasts 3-4 years
 - **boarding school**: a school where pupils live during term time
 - *distance learning*: a way of studying where tuition is carried out over the Internet or by post
 - *face-to-face classes*: as opposed to distance learning the traditional way of studying in a classroom with colleagues and a teacher
 - to fall behind with your studies: to progress less quickly than others
 - to give feedback: to offer guidance on a student's work

- *a graduation ceremony*: an event where a successful student receives his or her academic degree
- *higher education*: education, usually in a college or university, that is followed after high school or secondary school
- *an intensive course*: a course that offers lots of training in order to reach a goal in as short a time as possible
- to keep up with your studies: to not fall behind
- to learn something by heart: to memorize it
- *a mature student*: a student who is older than average and who has usually returned to education after a period at work
- *masters degree*: a period of study which often follows the completion of a bachelors degree or is undertaken by someone regarded as capable of a higher-level academic course
- to meet a deadline: to finish a job or task in the time allowed or agreed
- to play truant: to stay away from classes without permission
- private language school: an independent school run as a business concern
- *public schools*: exclusive independent schools in the UK
- *a single-sex school*: a school where only boys or girls attend (as opposed to a mixed-sex school)
- to sit an exam: to take an exam
- *state school*: a school paid for by public funds and available to the general public
- *subject specialist*: a teacher who has a great deal of knowledge about the subject they teach.
- *to take a year out*: to spend a year working or travelling before starting university
- tuition fees: the money paid for a course of study
- to work your way through university: to have a paid job whilst studying to support yourself financially

University



- to graduate from a university = complete a degree course / to finish university
- to enroll on a degree course = put your name down for a degree course
- to major in physics = to choose physics as your main subject at university
- to attend a lecture = to go to listen to a speaker at university often with a large audience in a lecture theatre
- to attend a tutorial = to go to a meeting with a professor usually in small group held in his/her office
- deliver a lecture = to give a talk or presentation
- to lecture in media studies = to talk about media studies or to teach media studies at university
- the faculty of business = a department specialising in business at university
- to read history = to study history
- to do or complete coursework = doing project work or assignments as part of your course
- undergraduate (n) = someone currently doing their first degree
- graduate (n) = someone who has completed a degree course
- note-taking = being able to take notes in a lecture while the lecturer is talking
- keeping up with the work load = being able to maintain the level of studying required
- fall behind with studies = fail to keep pace with the school / university work

- literate = to be able to read and write
- illiterate = unable to read and write
- the literacy rate = the percentage of people in a country or region able to read and write
- comprehensive education = a well-rounded, broad education covering a variety of subjects
- scholarship = an award of either free or supported education for high achievers
- student loan = money taken by a student to pay for their education which they must pay back after graduating
- pay off a student loan = to repay money borrowed for university education
- intensive course = a course which runs over a short period of time but contains a lot of information and training
- play truant / truancy = not attending school / being absent from school without permission
- gap year = to take a year out between high school and university

1. Types of school

word/phrase	part of speech	meaning common collocations		example
primary	adjective	the type of school for children ages 5-11	primary school, primary education	I think primary education should be compulsory worldwide.
secondary	adjective	the type of school for children age 11 and up	secondary school, secondary education (synonym: high school)	I still keep in touch with many of my friends from secondary school.
mixed	adjective	a school where girls and boys are taught together (antonym: single-sex school)	mixed school, mixed-sex education, mixed- gender education	In my opinion, mixed schools are the way forward.

2. School work



word/phrase	part of speech	meaning	common collocations	example
assignment	noun	a piece of work given to someone as part of their studies	homework assignment, reading/writing assignment	Back then, I was working on my last <u>reading</u> assignment of the term
lecture	noun	a formal talk on a subject	deliver/give/present a lecture, attend/go to a lecture	She delivered a very interesting lecture.
thesis	noun	a long piece of writing on a particular subject	write a thesis, complete a thesis, a thesis about/on (subject)	I wrote my thesis on effective treatment strategies for children with ADHD.

3. Qualifications: university & college



word/phrase	part of speech	meaning	common collocations	example
bachelor's degree	noun	a first degree at college or university	a bachelor's degree in (subject)	I have a bachelor's degree in
fellowship	noun	money for teaching or study given to a person studying for an advanced degree	to apply for a fellowship, to be awarded a fellowship	I then applied for a research fellowship at the university.
doctorate (PhD)	noun	the highest degree from a university	to do a doctorate in (subject), to have a doctorate, a doctorate degree	In developing countries, there aren't as many people with doctorate degrees.

4. People in education

word/phrase	part of speech	meaning	common collocations	example
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principal	noun	the person in charge of a school	school principal	She was the school principal for 15 years
graduate	noun	a person who has finished their school, college or university education	high school/ college/university graduate, a graduate in (subject), a graduate of (school)	There are many opportunities for university graduates nowadays.
professor	noun	a teacher of high rank in a university	college/university professor, visiting professor, (history, law, etc.) professor, professor of (history, law, etc.)	He later became a professor at a local university.

5. Benefits and drawbacks of higher education

Benefits

Open the door to better employment opportunities

Example: It is suggested that doing master degree will open the door to better employment opportunities.

Contribute to society

Example: An increasing number of higher educated workers could have a good contribution to society in terms of economy

Drawbacks

Require a huge investment in term of time and money

Example: Generally, continuing higher education will require a huge investment in term of time and money.

Lose the current job

Example: When you decide to continue higher education, you have to face the risk of loosing your current job.

<u>6. Common Phrases And Idioms For IELTS Speaking Topic:</u> <u>Education</u>

1. State school: a school paid for by public funds and available to general public

Example: Because my budget is limited, then get a scholar ship and go to state school is a great idea.

2. Private school: a school that is not supported by government money, where education must be paid for by the children's parents

Example: A private school usually offers good educational facilities compared to a public school.

3. Higher education: education, usually in a college or university, that is followed after high school or secondary school

Example: Lisa moved to American with the purpose of continuing her higher education.

4. To work your way through university: to have a paid job while studying to support yourself financial

Example: Peter has had to work his way through university, thus he barely has free time.

5. Tuition fees: the money paid for a course of study

Example: In order to pay for the tuition fees, I have been doing many part-time jobs.

6. To keep up with your studies: to not fall behind

Example: If you want to keep up with my studies at university, you have to spend more time on self-study.

7. To fall behind with your studies: to progress less quickly than other

Example: Sara spent almost her time on going out rather than studying, which caused her to fall behind with her studies, thus she failed the exam.

8. To sit an exam: to take an exam

Example: The time when I have to sit an exam is really stressful, because I need to stay up all night and have less time to relax.

9. To attend classes: to go to classes

Example: In order to pass the final exam, it is suggested that you should attend to all of the classes.

10. Face to face classes: join in courses in classroom with colleagues and teachers.

Example: When you take part in a face to face class, you will have an opportunity to interact with teachers in person, then you can respond to the teacher immediately.

11. Distance learning: a way of studying, in which you will learn, and communicate with teachers and classmates through the internet.

Example: One benefit of taking distance learning course is the timetable will be flexible, which means you can study whenever and wherever you want.

12. To learn something by heart: to memorize it

Example: The course requires me to learn a lot of things by heart, which is quite hard for me.

13. To take a year out: to take a gap year

Example: Before going to the university, I decided to take a year out to travel to some countries.

14. A graduation ceremony: an event that successful student receive his or her academic degree

Example: a graduation ceremony is one of the most important day in a student life.

15. Gain/obtain knowledge

Example: Taking academic course will help students to gain a great deal of knowledge.

Words used to describe someone who works hard



efficient

ADJECTIVE

someone who is <u>efficient works</u> well and <u>quickly</u> and is <u>good</u> at <u>organizing</u>their <u>work</u> in the way that <u>gets</u> the <u>best results</u>

productive

ADJECTIVE

working hard and producing or achieving a lot

committed

ADJECTIVE

<u>loyal</u> to a <u>belief</u>, <u>organization</u>, or <u>group</u>, and <u>willing</u> to <u>work</u> <u>hard</u> for it

hard-working

ADJECTIVE

a hard-working person puts a lot of effort into their work

conscientious

ADJECTIVE

working hard and careful to do things well

diligent

ADJECTIVE

FORMAL someone who is <u>diligent</u> works very <u>hard</u> and very <u>carefully</u>

industrious

ADJECTIVE

FORMAL always working very hard

assiduous

ADJECTIVE

FORMAL **hard-working** and **thorough**

tireless

ADJECTIVE

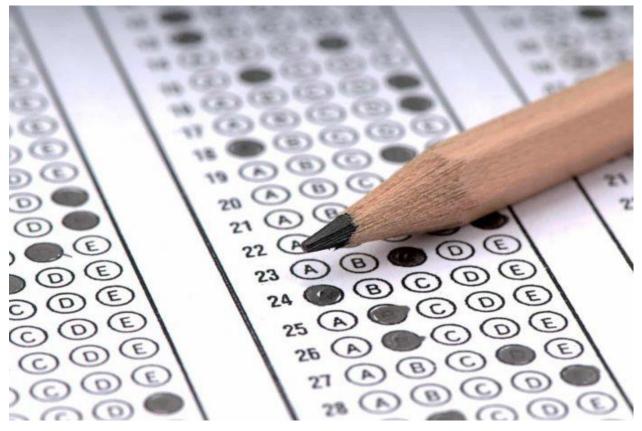
SHOWING APPROVAL working very hard without stopping

hard at work

PHRASE

working with a lot of effort

General words for exams and taking exams



assessment

NOUN

EDUCATION a <u>piece</u> of <u>work</u> or an <u>exam</u> done by a <u>student</u> so that <u>teachers</u> can <u>judge</u> their <u>level</u> or <u>progress</u>

borderline

ADJECTIVE

not good enough to definitely pass an examination

candidate

NOUN

FORMAL someone who is taking an examination

certificate

NOUN

an <u>official document stating</u> that you have <u>passed</u> an <u>examination</u>, <u>successfully completed</u> a <u>course</u>, or <u>achieved</u> the <u>necessary qualifications</u> to <u>work</u> in a <u>particular profession</u>

crib

NOUN

INFORMAL a <u>sheet</u> of <u>paper</u> or <u>piece</u> of <u>work containing information</u> that a <u>student uses</u> for <u>cheating</u> in an <u>examination</u>

crib sheet

NOUN

a <u>sheet</u> of <u>paper containing</u> <u>information</u> that a <u>student uses</u> <u>dishonestly</u> in an <u>examination</u>

exam

NOUN

EDUCATION an <u>important</u> test of your <u>knowledge</u>, <u>especially</u> one that you take at <u>school</u> or <u>university</u>

exam

NOUN

relating to an exam or exams

examination

NOUN

EDUCATIONFORMAL an exam

examiner

NOUN

someone whose job is to test people's knowledge or ability

exam paper

NOUN

BRITISH the <u>list</u> of <u>questions</u> that someone must <u>answer</u> during an <u>examination</u>

exam paper

NOUN

BRITISH the paper that you write your answers on in an examination

invigilate

VERB

BRITISH to watch students who are taking an examination in order to make sure that they do not cheat. Someone who does this is called an invigilator.

invigilator

NOUN

BRITISH someone who <u>watches</u> <u>students</u> while they are <u>taking</u> an <u>exam</u> to <u>make</u> <u>sure</u> that they do not <u>cheat</u>

mock

ADJECTIVE

EDUCATION a <u>mock test</u>, <u>interview</u> etc is one that you do in <u>order</u> to <u>practise</u> for a <u>real</u> one

mock

NOUN

BRITISH an <u>examination</u> that you take for <u>practice</u> before an importantexamination

moderate

VERB

EDUCATIONBRITISH to <u>check</u> that the <u>marks</u> <u>given</u> in an <u>examination</u> are <u>fair</u>and <u>correct</u>

moderation

NOUN

EDUCATIONBRITISH the <u>process</u> of <u>checking</u> that the <u>marks</u> <u>given</u> in an <u>examination</u> are <u>fair</u> and <u>correct</u>

moderator

NOUN

BRITISH someone whose job is to check that the marks given in an examination are fair and correct

multiple-choice

ADJECTIVE

giving you several <u>answers</u> from which you have to <u>choose</u> the one that you <u>think</u> is <u>correct</u>

paper

NOUN

educationBritish an <u>examination</u>, or the <u>answers</u> that a <u>student</u> has <u>written</u>

proctor

NOUN

AMERICAN someone who invigilates examinations

rubric

NOUN

formal a <u>set</u> of <u>instructions</u> at the <u>beginning</u> of a <u>document</u>, for <u>example</u> at the top of an <u>examination</u> <u>paper</u>

script

NOUN

EDUCATIONBRITISH a <u>set</u> of <u>papers</u> that a student writes their answers on in an examination

set

VERB

EDUCATIONBRITISH to <u>produce</u> <u>questions</u> or an <u>examination</u> <u>paper</u> for <u>students</u>to <u>answer</u>

test

NOUN

a set of written or spoken questions used for finding out how much someone knows about a subject. A test is less formal than an exam

testing

NOUN

the <u>activity</u> of <u>giving</u> someone or something an <u>examination</u>, or of <u>checking</u>something to find out if it <u>works</u>

through

ADJECTIVE

if you get through an <u>examination</u> or <u>test</u>, you <u>succeed</u> in <u>passing</u> it

unseen

NOUN

BRITISH a <u>piece</u> of <u>writing</u> in a <u>foreign language</u> that you have to <u>translate</u>without <u>having seen</u> it before, <u>especially</u> as part of an examination

Learning

APPLY A RULE: To state a rule as it applies to a situation, object or event that is being analyzed. The statement must convey analysis of a problem situation and/or its solution, together with the name or statement of the rule that was applied.

ASSESS: To stipulate the conditions by which the behavior specified in an objective may be ascertained. Such stipulations are usually in the form of written descriptions. For obvious reasons, assess is rarely used as a verb in learning objectives at the elementary school level.

CLASSIFY: To place objects, words, or situations into categories according to defined criteria for each category. The criteria must be made known to the student.

COMPOSE: To formulate a composition in written, spoken, musical or artistic form.

CONSTRUCT: To make a drawing, structure, or model that identifies a designated object or set of conditions.

DEFINE: To stipulate the requirements for inclusion of an object, word, or situation in a category or class. Elements of one or both of the following must be included: (1) The characteristics of the words, objects, or situations that are included in the class or category. (2) The characteristics of the words, objects, or situations that are excluded in the class or category. To define is to set up criteria for classification.

DEMONSTRATE: The student performs the operations necessary for the application of an instrument, model, device, or implement. NOTE: There is a temptation to use demonstrate in objectives such as, "the student will demonstrate his knowledge of vowel sounds." As the verb is defined, this is improper use of it.

DESCRIBE: To name all of the necessary categories of objects, object properties, or event properties that are relevant to the description of a designated situation. The objective is of the form, "The student will describe this order, object, or event," and does not limit the categories that may be used in mentioning them. Specific or categorical limitations, if any, are to be given in the performance standards of each objective. When using this verb in an objective, it is helpful to include a statement to the effect of what the description, as a minimum, must reference.

DIAGRAM: To construct a drawing with labels and with a specified organization or structure to demonstrate knowledge of that organization or structure. Graphic charting and mapping are types of diagramming, and these terms may be used where more exact communication of the structure of the situation and response is desired.

DISTINGUISH: To identify under conditions when only two contrasting identifications are involved for each response.

ESTIMATE: To assess the dimension of an object, series of objects, event or condition without applying a standard scale or measuring device. Logical techniques of estimation, such as are involved in mathematical interpolation, may be used. See MEASURE.

EVALUATE: To classify objects, situations, people, conditions, etc., according to defined criteria of quality. Indication of quality must be given in the defined criteria of each class category. Evaluation differs from general classification only in this respect.

IDENTIFY: To indicate the selection of an object of a class in response to its class name, by pointing, picking up, underlining, marking, or other responses.

INTERPRET: To translate information from observation, charts, tables, graphs, and written material in a verifiable manner.

LABEL: To stipulate a verbal (oral or written) response to a given object, drawing, or composition that contains information relative to the known, but unspecified structure of these objects, drawings, or compositions. Labeling is a complex behavior that contains elements of naming and identifying.

LOCATE: To stipulate the position of an object, place, or event in relation to other specified objects, places, or events. Ideational guides to location such as grids, order arrangements and time may be used to describe location. Note: Locate is not to be confused with IDENTIFY.

MEASURE: To apply a standard scale or measuring device to an object, series of objects, events, or conditions, according to practices accepted by those who are skilled in the use of the device or scale.

NAME: To supply the correct name, in oral or written form for an object, class of objects, persons, places, conditions, or events which are pointed out or described.

ORDER: To arrange two or more objects or events in accordance with stated criteria.

PREDICT: To use a rule or principle to predict an outcome or to infer some consequence. It is not necessary that the rule or principle be stated.

REPRODUCE: To imitate or copy an action, construction, or object that is presented.

SOLVE: To effect a solution to a given problem, in writing or orally. The problem solution must contain all the elements required for the requested solution, and may contain extraneous elements that are not required for solution. The problem must be posed in such a way that the student that the student is able to determine the type of response that is acceptable.

STATE A RULE: To make a statement that conveys the meaning of the rule, theory or principle.

TRANSLATE: To transcribe one symbolic form to another of the same or similar meaning

BUSINESS



- to balance the books: to not spend more money than you are earning
- **to be self-employed**: to work for yourself/to not work for an employer
- to cold call: to make a sales call to someone without asking them for permission first
- cut throat competition: when one company lowers its prices, forcing other companies to do the same, sometimes to a point where business becomes unprofitable
- **to do market research**: to do research into what potential customers would or wouldn't buy
- to draw up a business plan: to write a plan for a new business
- to drum up business: to try to get customers
- to earn a living: to earn money
- to go bust: when a business is forced to close because it is unsuccessful
- cash flow: the money coming in and going out of a business
- to go into business with: to join another person to start or expand a business
- to go it alone: to start your own business
- to go under: (see 'to go bust')
- **to have a web presence**: to have a website or social media profile that showcases your business
- to launch a product: to start selling and promoting a new product
- to lay someone off: when a company ends an employee's contract of employment

- lifestyle business: a business that is set up to bring in a sufficient income and no more
- to make a profit: to earn more money than it costs to run the business
- *niche business*: a business that serves a small, particular market
- to raise a company profile: to make more people aware of a business
- to run your own business: to have a business of your own
- sales figures: a report of the income a company generates through sales of products or services
- to set up a business: to start a business
- stiff competition: strong competition from other companies in the same area of work
- to take on employees: to employ people
- to take out a loan: to borrow money
- to win a contract: when a business gets legally-binding work with an individual or company
- to work for yourself: (see 'to be self-employed')

Employment

When you are officially accepted into a new job at a company, you are hired by the company. For example, "I was hired by an insurance company just two weeks after graduating from college."

When you're hired, you become an employee of the company. The company becomes your employer. The other employees in the company are your colleagues or coworkers. The person above you who is responsible for your work is your boss or supervisor.

You can work full-time (usually about 40 hours per week) or part-time (usually 15-25 hours per week). A small number of companies offer flex-time, meaning the

employee can set his/her own schedule. In some jobs, you work shifts – meaning the hours aren't the same every day; instead, you work a specific block of hours that the manager schedules. If you work overtime, it means you work extra hours in addition to your normal schedule.

We typically use the expression go to work for arriving at work, and get off work for leaving work. For example, "I go to work at 8:30, and I get off work at 5." Your commute is how long it takes you to arrive at work by car or public transportation. For example, "I have a 20-minute commute." Some jobs allow you to work remotely – that means you can work from home or another place with an internet connection, and you communicate with your coworkers by phone, e-mail, and video conferencing.

As an employee of the company, you earn a salary - money you receive regularly for your work. Don't make the mistake of saying "win a salary" - the correct verb is "earn." If you're good at your job, you might get a pay raise (or a raise) - an increase in your salary. You could also get a promotion - an increase in importance www.espressoenglish.net © Shayna Oliveira 2017 and authority.

At the end of the year, some companies give their employees a bonus - extra money for work well done. The opposite of "hire" is fire - when your company forces you to leave your job. For example, "Peter was fired because he never came to work on time."

Usually if someone is fired, it's because they did something bad. If an employee loses his or her job because of a neutral reason, like the company reducing its size, then we say the employee was laid off. For example, "Donna was laid off when her company started having financial problems." If you decide to leave your job, there are three verbs you can use:

- I'm going to quit my job.
- I'm going to leave my job.
- I'm going to resign.

"Quit" is informal, "resign" is formal, and "leave" can be formal or informal. When an old person decides to stop working, the verb for this is retire.

In most countries, people retire around age 65. If you're older than that and you've stopped working, you can describe your current situation by saying, "I'm retired."

Knowledge&Ability Vocabulary



hands-on experience

knowledge or skill that someone gets from doing something rather than just reading about it orseeing it being done:

They will <u>participate</u> in <u>workshops</u> and get <u>hands-onexperience leading classes</u>.

acumen

noun[U]

uk /ˈæk.jə.mən/us /əˈkjuː.mən/formal

<u>skill</u> in making <u>correct decisions</u> and <u>judgments</u> in a <u>particular subject</u>, such as <u>business</u> or <u>politics</u>:

She has <u>considerable</u> <u>business/financial</u> acumen.

a magic touch

a special ability to do something very well:

The film's <u>success</u> will no <u>doubt please</u> the 46-year-old <u>director</u>, who was <u>rumoured</u> to have <u>lost</u> his magic <u>touch</u>.

as (if) to the manner born

FORMAL

If you do something as (if) to the manner <u>born</u>, you do it very well and very <u>naturally</u> as if it is <u>usual</u> and <u>easy</u> for you.

astute

adjective

UK /əˈstʃuːt/ US /əˈstuːt/

<u>able</u> to <u>understand</u> a <u>situation</u> <u>quickly</u> and <u>see</u> how to take<u>advantage</u> of it: an astute <u>investor/businesswoman</u>

perspicacity

noun[U]

UK / pa:.spi kæs.ə.ti/ US / pa:.spi kæs.ə.ţi/FORMAL APPROVING

the ability to understand things quickly and make accuratejudgments:

a woman of exceptional perspicacity

Job flexibility (expression) gives employees flexibility on how long, where and when they work.

Nine-to-five work (phrase) the normal work schedule for most jobs

Lucrative income (phrase)- creating high-income

High-end (adj)

the most sophisticated, and typically the most expensive product in a line

Splurge on

something (phrase) to spend a lot of money on someone or something

Dead tired (adj): exhausted

All day long (phrase): during the entire day

Overwhelming (adj) very intense

Sedentary lifestyle (phrase): a type of lifestyle with little or no physical activity

Hectic (adj) busy

Up to my ears in something (phrase) busy doing something **Down the road** (idiom) in the future

Yearn for (phrase) to feel a powerful desire for something

- be of common sense: something are widely known
 Ex: The fact that "the sun rises in the east and set in the west" is of common sense.
- go through: study carefully about
 Ex: Collins went through every <u>legal</u> book she could find.
- vacancy: a job that no one is doing and is available for someone new to do.
 - Ex: There is a vacancy for a shop assistant on Saturdays.
- stand out: to be much better than other similar things or people
 - Ex: We had lots of good applicants for the job, but one stood out from the rest.
- take into account: to consider or remember something when judging a situation
 - Ex: A good architect takes into account the building's surroundings.
- get through: to <u>manage</u> to deal with a difficult situation
 Ex: I just have to get through the first five minutes of my speech, and then I'll be fine.

Dominant (adj) prevalent, popular

Commute (v) travel some distance between one's home and place of work on a regular basis

Cost-saving (adj) serving to reduce expenses, especially in business

Time-consuming (adj) something that is timeconsuming takes a long time to do

End up (v) to be in a <u>particular</u> state after doing something or because of doing it

When it comes to (doing) something (phrase) speaking about something

Give something some thought (phrase) to think <u>carefully</u> about something

Take something into consideration (phrase) to think carefully about something

- To the best of one's recollection: something in the past they can recall
- resolution: a firm decision to do or not to do something.
- come up to: approach someone
- All of a sudden: Suddenly
- Make out: understand, hear
- accent: a distinctive mode of pronunciation of a language, especially one associated with a particular nation, locality, or social class.
- show sb the way to...: give sb direction to somewhere
- necessities: something necessary for daily life: water, food,...
- Make the most of: to use something as much as possible
- take in: understand
- polish up: improve
- regardless of: without being affected or <u>influenced</u> by anything else that happens or exists

SAMPLE SPEAKING PART 3 Questions

1. Which jobs would you say are most respected in your country?

Well, I have never thought about this, but I reckon that professional careers such as the fields of law, education, and medicine may be the most **highly-acclaimed** ones. It is mainly because of the fact that people working in these fields can easily **earn lucrative income** compared to others.

2. Some people say it's better to work for yourself than be employed by a company. What's your opinion?

Well, I used to be a full time employee & felt very stressful. To be specific, most of the time, I had a **hectic schedule** & was **up to ears in heavy workloads** to **meet deadlines**. Therefore, although **running my own business** is really challenging, I do feel far more comfortable with it.

3. What changes in employment have there been in recent years in your country?

As far as I know, more and more people, especially the young generations are involved in setting up their own businesses. Thus, the "start-up" community is now more alive than ever, especially tech startups.

4. What are some of the important things a candidate should find out before accepting a job?

Well, this is an interesting question. If I were offered a job, I would definitely **go through** the company's **compensation package such as** salary, allowances, **maternity or paternity**

leave, insurance, **pension plans**, vacations, etc. Also, I'd need to know about my area of responsibilities so that I can make sure that I will not be **overwhelmed with heavy workloads down the road.**

Main skills and qualities employers look for	This means you can	Adjectives and nouns that describe people with these skills	Verbs you can use to write or talk about these skills
communication skills(oral and written)	speak effectively ask meaningful questions express ideas and opinions persuasively interpret different points of view write good English provide suitable feedback to verbal and written communications	accurate articulate communicative expressive persuasive	address articulate author communicate compose consult contact convince correspond draft edit explain express formulate influence interpret negotiate outline persuade present promote propose respond
interpersonal skills	relate to and deal with other people resolve conflict	troubleshooter supportive	counsel encourage guide listen mediate motivate resolve negotiate

			perceive (feelings, emotions) support
teamwork skills	work with other people productively share information support and represent other team members be open to colleagues' ideas shoulder your fair share of the work	team player enthusiastic supportive co-operative constructive motivated	aid assist collaborate contribute co-operate participate (in) represent stand in (for) support take part (in)
organisation, management and leadership skills	supervise, direct and guide other people follow a plan through lead a team towards goals do more than one thing at a time	assertive creative detailed thinker goal-oriented leading managerial methodical multitasking (well-)organised responsible results-oriented	administer appoint arrange assign attend to details authorise brainstorm chair (meetings, discussions) consolidate co-ordinate decide (on) define delegate develop direct encourage establish execute follow through (on) follow up (on) handle (details or questions) implement (decisions) judge lead manage (other people)

			meet (goals, deadlines) monitor motivate multitask obtain order organise oversee plan prepare prioritise share run (meetings) schedule streamline supervise verify work together work collaboratively
initiative	see what needs doing without being told do something beyond your job description make decisions on your own be spontaneous	dynamic independent pro-active quick learner quick thinker self-accountable self-aware self-managing self-motivated self-starter spontaneous	decide (for yourself) found initiate manage (your own time) prioritise seize (opportunities) take (the initiative) think on your feet work on your own
adaptability	learn new methods learn new skills be open to new ideas not feel threatened by change be prepared to relocate	adaptable adjustable flexible mobile open-minded willing (to adapt)	accept adapt (to) adjust (to) change learn relocate

analytical, research	conceptualise future needs	accurate	appraise
	identify problems and their	analytical	analyse
	causes	resourceful	calculate
	find solutions	thoughtful	check
	look at a situation from different		clarify
	angles		classify
	deal with information		collate
	collect and record data		compare
	concet and record data		compile
			define (needs and goals)
			detect
			determine
			develop
			diagnose
			evaluate
			examine
			extract (information)
			explore
			forecast
			identify (problems)
			gather (information)
			imagine alternatives
			inspect
			interpret
			investigate
			keep record (of)
			predict
			process
			research
			retrieve information
			set goals
			solve (problems)
			test
numeric, computer	prepare information	innovative	adapt
	process datapresent findings	numerate	adjust (figures)
and technical skins	process datapresent findings	number-literate	apply
		computer-literate	budget
		computer-inerate	calculate
			collate
			Condition

compile (statistics)
compute
construct
design
engineer
implement
install
operate
produce
program
repair
simulate
upgrade
utilise
transmit

Words with Translations

Telecommuting Vocabulary



telecommuting — дистанционная работа

teleworking — дистанционная работа

telecommute — работать на дому, удаленно

telecommuter — сотрудник, работающий на дому с ПК

freelance — внештатный

workplace — рабочее место

workflow — рабочий процесс

work remotely — работать удаленно

potential pitfall — возможные ловушки

micromanage — конторлировать каждый шаг

economically sound — экономически безопасное (обоснованн)

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eco-conscious companies — компании, думающие об экологии
environmentally friendly — не наносящий ущерба окружающей среде, не
загрязняющий окружающую среду
working environment — рабочая обстановка/среда
be mindful of — учитывать, иметь в виду
business requirements — бизнес-требования
disabled workers — работники с ограниченными возможностями
track their work hours — отслеживать свои рабочие часы
commuting — ежедневные поездки на работу
time-saving — экономящий время
at your disposal — в вашем распоряжении
convenience — удобство
traffic burden on the roads — транспортные нагрузки на дорогах
office workers — офисные работники
technological developments — технологические разработки
hard drive — жёсткий диск
take regular backups — делать регулярные резервные копии
firewall — защитная система
removal software — удаление программного обеспечения
adware — бесплатное ПО с размещенной в ней рекламой
malware — вредоносное ПО
anti-virus protection software — антивирусная защита программного
обеспечения
peripherals — внешнее оборудование
precaution — меры предосторожности
interconnection — взаимосвязь
at stake — быть поставленным на карту
misinterpret — неверно истолковывать
personal aspect — личностный аспект
feel vulnerable — чувствуют себя уязвимыми
face to face contact — личный контакт/общение
severe frustration — сильнейшее разочарование
sanity — здравомыслие
determine own working schedule — определить собственный рабочий график
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benefactor — покровитель
wide scope — широкий спектр
employee — сотрудник
employer — работодатель
the world is your oyster — всё в твоих руках
e-commerce — электронная торговля
work-life balance — баланс между работой и личной жизнью
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IELTS & TOEFL Education Vocabulary

Teма «Образование» — одна из наиболее популярных тем на тестах TOEFL, IELTS

- comprehensive school общеобразовательная школа
- pupil power ученическое самоуправление
- top-tier institutions учреждения верхнего уровня
- MOOCs, massive open online courses массовые открытые дистанционные курсы
- traditional institutions традиционные учреждения
- high drop-out rates высокий процент отчисления
- graduate diploma диплом о высшем образовании
- professional degree профессиональная степень
- correspondence course (= distance learning) курс удаленного обучения
- take/set examinations сдавать экзамены
- reset examinations пересдавать экзамены
- job prospects перспективы работы
- ultimate payoff окончательная окупаемость
- financial burden финансовый груз
- enormous endowments огромные вклады (пожертвования)
- less affluent students менее обеспеченные студенты
- recent graduates with bachelor's degrees are among the most indebted выпускники со степенью бакалавра среди наиболее обременённых долгами
- enrollment more than doubled набор увеличился более чем в 2 раза
- tutorial учебное пособие

- to keep pace with the growing student body идти в ногу с растущим количеством студентов
- state-subsidized higher education высшее образование, субсидируемое государством
- to become mired in a financial morass увязнуть в финансовом болоте
- sharp increases in tuition резкое возрастание оплаты за обучение
- regardless of their financial circumstances не считаясь с их финансовыми обстоятельствами
- talented alumni талантливые выпускники
- grants and scholarships гранты и стипендии
- campus tours туры по университетскому городку
- admissions officers сотрудники приёмной комиссии
- ever-escalating price of a college degree всё возрастающая цена университетской степени
- marking criteria критерии оценки
- exams can encourage surface learning экзамены могут потворствовать поверхностному изучению
- a possibility of plagiarism возможность плагиата
- to perform significantly better показать существенно лучший результат
- students are tempted to cheat студенты чувствуют искушение обмануть
- to attain proficiency in another language достичь мастерства во владении другим языком
- the optimal age for language learning оптимальный возраст для изучения языка
- there are cognitive benefits to early childhood bilingualism существуют когнитивные преимущества для ранней детской билингвальности
- to demonstrate academic gains in other areas показать академические достижения в других областях
- to have advantages in relation to their monolingual peers обладать преимуществом по сравнению с монолингвальными одноклассниками
- academic achievement академические достижения
- the global economy increasingly values specialists over generalists в глобальной экономике специалистов ценят больше, чем универсалов
- tremendous educational value огромная образовательная ценность
- the value of college connections ценность университетских связей
- to broaden horizons расширять горизонты

•	to strengthen analytic and reasoning skills — улучшать аналитические навыки и умение аргументировать